

Bell County Man Pleads Guilty to Child Pornography Charges

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LONDON, Ky. — Michael Hodson, Jr., 42, of Middlesboro, Ky. pleaded guilty yesterday before U.S. District Court Judge Danny C. Reeves to child pornography charges, after being indicted in October of last year.

During the guilty plea, Hodson acknowledged receiving multiple images of child pornography in December of 2002 and possessing the images on his computer in February of 2006.

Amul R. Thapar, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Kentucky, and John Jack Adams, Commissioner, Kentucky State Police, jointly made the announcement today after the guilty plea was entered.

Hodson's sentencing has been set for April 23, 2007 at 9:00 a.m. before U.S. District Court Judge Danny C. Reeves in London, Ky.

The investigation was conducted by the Kentucky State Police, Electronic Crime Section. Assistant United States Attorney Erin May represented the United States in the case.